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## Shouldn't all Rhode Islanders have access to the arts?

The arts are more than just an important part of our state's economy.

For young people, the arts are a path to success. The arts contribute to achievement in school, particularly among disadvantaged students. For cities and towns, the arts promote civic engagement and encourage neighborhood and downtown revitalization.

They make our communities more liveable.

With all that's good about the arts, shouldn't all Rhode Islanders be able to enjoy and participate in what our state has to offer? That's where we come in.

Rhode Island's investment in the arts is small (just 7/100 $^{\pm}$ s of 1 $^{\%}$  of our state's budget). With that, we managed to reach over 1.2 million Rhode Islanders and visitors last year, including over 1.89,000 young people,

Let's ensure that all Rhode Islanders can benefit from the arts in the Ocean State.



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